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Office Action Summary

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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 2 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____
- ☐ This action is **FINAL**.
- ☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- ☒ Claim(s) 2-7 is/are pending in the application.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- ☒ Claim(s) 2-7 is/are allowed.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

- ☐ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.
- ☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.
- ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.
- ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d)

- ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
- ☒ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been received.
- ☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____
- ☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____
- ☒ Notice of Reference(s) Cited, PTO-892
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
- ☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
- ☐ Other _____

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Part III DETAILED ACTION

1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Specification

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because of its minor informality, i.e., re the abstract, line 1, substitute "It is an object to provide an" with -- An --. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

3. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

4. The following title is suggested: -- A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INCLUDING A DUAL PASSIVE ANTENNA CONFIGURATION --.

Claim Objections

5. Claims 2, 4, and 6-7 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Re claim 2, line 9: Substitute "the form" with -- a form --.

Re claim 4, line 8: Substitute "the form" with -- a form --.

Re claim 4, line 18: Substitute "the data" with -- data --.

Re claim 6, line 2: Substitute "the uses" with -- uses --.

Re claim 7, line 3: Substitute " the range" with -- range --.

Re claim 7, line 6: Substitute "of data" with -- of the data --.

Appropriate correction is required.

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Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE **TWO MONTHS** FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 2-7 are allowable over the prior art of record.

7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record, taken alone or in combination fails to specifically teach or fairly suggest a dual antenna configuration on an IC card for serving different purposes, one antenna for power activation and another for transmission of data, etc., and the specific configuration of the circuitry within the IC card, etc. as set forth in the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Additional Remarks

8. It has been noted by the Examiner that the EP 0-309-201-A reference was cited as "X" reference in the PCT/JP96/01622 dated 20 January 1997.

Conclusion

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure: Inoue (US 5,444,222), Goto (US 5,889,273), Nishikawa (US 6,021,951), Ohbuchi et al (US 5,585,617),

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Takahira (JP 3-262089), Furuta (JP 4-7689), and Furuta (JP 4-47389) discloses a contactless IC card and the system thereof.


10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Michael G. Lee** whose telephone number is (703) 305-3503. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 5:30AM to 2:00PM Monday thru Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Donald T. Hajec, can be reached on (703) 308-4075. The fax phone number for this Group is (703)308-7722, (703)308-7724, or (703)308-7382.

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